

Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises

RCW 39.19

Request	\$4,727,000	
Net change from current biennium	\$728,000	Increase
Percent change from current biennium	18.2%	Increase

The goal of the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE) is to improve the economic vitality of certified minority, women, and socially and economically disadvantaged small businesses. OMWBE provides business development services to firms to build capacity and develop marketing strategies, and provides consulting services to agencies for supplier diversity programs. Indicators of success are jobs and successful minority, women, and socially and economically disadvantaged small businesses.

Agency Mission

OMWBE's mission is to lead and promote the state's supplier diversity strategy. It ensures that maximum practicable opportunity in state contracting is afforded to, and inclusive of, small businesses owned by minorities, women, and socially and economically disadvantaged firms. OMWBE identifies and eliminates barriers to participation in state contracting, provides supplier diversity training, helps in business development, and does certification of minority, women, and disadvantaged businesses.

Agency Level Summary

Operating Budget: Summary

2013-15 Appropriations	Appropriated Funds	Expenditures		
		2011-13 Actual	2013-15 Estimated	2015-17 Proposed
Amount Estimated Balance				
3,999,000	OMWBE Enterprises Account - State	3,732,731	3,999,000	4,727,000

Operating Budget: Change from Preceding Biennium

	2011-13 Actual		2013-15 Estimated		2015-17 Proposed	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Total	295,969	8.6%	266,269	7.1%	728,000	18.2%

Employment Summary

	2012-13 Actual	2013-14 Estimated	2014-15 Estimated	2015-16 Proposed	2016-17 Proposed
FTE Staff Years	20.3	22.7	20.0	21.0	24.0